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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: Christopher M. Raabe
AKIHIRO KIMURA ET AL.	)	
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Filed: January 21, 2004	)	
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APPARATUS AND ELECTRON	:	
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APPARATUS	:	November 22, 2006

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated August 22, 2006.

A Request for Continued Examination is being filed herewith. Preliminary to continued examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.